

List of mergers and acquisitions by Meta Platforms

Meta Platforms (formerly Facebook, Inc.) is a technology company that has acquired 91 other companies, including WhatsApp. The WhatsApp acquisition closed at a steep \$16 billion; more than \$40 per user of the platform. Meta also purchased the defunct company ConnectU

in a court settlement and acquired intellectual property formerly held by rival Friendster. The majority of the companies acquired by Meta are based in the United States, and in turn, a large percentage of these companies are based in or around the San Francisco Bay Area. Meta has also made investments in LuckyCal and Wildfire Interactive.



Meta Platforms logo

Most of Meta's acquisitions have primarily been "talent acquisitions" and acquired

products are often shut-down. In 2009, Meta (as Facebook) CEO Mark Zuckerberg posted a question on Quora, titled "What startups would be good acquisitions for Facebook?", receiving 79 answers.^{[1][2]} He stated in 2010 that "We have not once bought a company for the company. We buy companies to get excellent people... In order to have a really entrepreneurial culture one of the key things is to make sure we're recruiting the best people. One of the ways to do this is to focus on acquiring great companies with great founders."^[3] The Instagram acquisition, announced on April 9, 2012, appears to have been the first exception to this

pattern.^[4] While continuing with a pattern of primarily talent acquisitions, other notable product focused acquisitions include the \$19 billion WhatsApp acquisition and the \$2 billion Oculus VR acquisition.

Acquisitions

Number	Company	Location	Acquired on	Acquired for (USD)	Talent acquired	Relationship
1	facebook.com domain name	 <u>USA, Boston, Massachusetts</u>	August 23, 2005	200,000	—	
2	<u>ParaKey</u>	 <u>USA, Mountain View, California</u>	July 19, 2007	—	<u>Blake Ross</u> , <u>Joe Hewitt</u>	<u>YC</u> <u>Combi</u> <u>Seque</u> <u>Capit</u>
3	<u>ConnectU</u>	 <u>USA, Cambridge, Massachusetts</u>	June 23, 2008	31,000,000	—	<u>i2Hut</u>
4	<u>FriendFeed</u>	 <u>USA, Mountain View, California</u>	August 10, 2009	47,500,000	<u>Paul Buchheit</u> , <u>Bret Taylor</u> , Jim Norris, Sanjeev Singh, 8 others	<u>Bencf</u> <u>Capit</u> Goog
5	Octazen	 <u>Malaysia, Taman Melawati, Kuala Lumpur</u>	February 19, 2010	—	2 engineers (remote workers)	
6	<u>Divvyshot</u>	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	March 2, 2010	—	Sam Odio, Paul Carduner	<u>Y</u> <u>Combi</u> <u>Angel</u>
7	<u>Friendster patents</u>	 <u>USA, Mountain View, California</u> /  <u>Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur</u>	May 13, 2010	40,000,000	—	

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8	ShareGrove	 <u>USA, San Mateo, California</u>	May 26, 2010	—	Kent Libbey, Adam Wolff	Elm Street Ventures
9	Zenbe	 <u>USA, New York, NY, New York</u>	July 6, 2010	—	Tom Alison, Will Bailey, Robert Kiefer	
10	Nextstop	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	July 8, 2010	2,500,000	Charles Lin, Carl Sjogreen, Adrian Graham	ex-Google
11	Chai Labs	 <u>USA, Mountain View, California</u>	August 15, 2010	10,000,000	Gokul Rajaram, Giri Rajaram, others	Meru Capital, Google
12	Hot Potato	 <u>USA, Brooklyn, New York</u>	August 20, 2010	~10,000,000	Saadiq Rodgers-King, Justin Shaffer, 6 others	RRE Ventures
13	<u>Drop.io</u>	 <u>USA, Dumbo, Brooklyn, New York</u>	October 29, 2010	~10,000,000	Sam Lessin	RRE Ventures
14	<u>FB.com domain name</u>	 <u>USA, Washington, D.C.</u>	November 15, 2010	8,500,000	—	
15	Rel8tion	 <u>USA, Seattle, Washington</u>	January 25, 2011	undisclosed	Peter Wilson	
16	Beluga	 <u>USA, Palo Alto, California</u>	March 2, 2011	undisclosed	Jonathan Perlow, Lucy	

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					Zhang, Ben Davenport	
17	<u>Snaptu</u>	 <u>Israel, Tel Aviv</u>	March 20, 2011	70,000,000	—	
18	RecRec	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	March 24, 2011	undisclosed	—	Dogp Labs
19	DayTum	 <u>USA, SoHo, New York City</u>	April 27, 2011	undisclosed	<u>Nicholas Felton</u> , Ryan Case	
20	Sofa	 <u>Netherlands, Amsterdam</u>	June 9, 2011	undisclosed	Koen Bok, Dirk Stoop, Jasper Hauser, Hugo van Heuven, Jorn van Dijk	
21	MailRank	 <u>USA, New York, New York</u>	June 9, 2011	undisclosed	Bryan O'Sullivan and Bethanye McKinney Blount	
22	Push Pop Press	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	August 2, 2011	undisclosed	Co-founders <u>Mike Matas</u> and Kimon Tsinteris	
23	Friend.ly	 <u>USA, Mountain View, California</u>	October 10, 2011	undisclosed	Co-founder/CEO Ed Baker	
24	Strobe	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	November 8, 2011	undisclosed	Founder and <u>CEO</u> Charles Jolley, other	

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					Strobe employees	
25	<u>Gowalla</u>	 <u>USA, Austin, Texas</u>	December 2, 2011	—	—	
26	Caffeinatedmind	 <u>USA, California</u>	February 20, 2012	—	—	
27	<u>Instagram</u>	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	April 9, 2012	1,000,000,000	—	
28	<u>Tagtile</u>	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	April 13, 2012	undisclosed	Tagtile's founders	
29	Glancee	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	May 5, 2012	undisclosed	Three co-founders	
30	<u>Lightbox.com</u>	 <u>UK, London, England</u>	May 15, 2012	undisclosed	Thai Tran, Nilesh Patel, Five employees	
31	Karma	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	May 21, 2012	undisclosed	Lee Linden, Ben Lewis	
32	<u>Face.com</u>	 <u>Israel, Tel Aviv</u>	June 18, 2012	100,000,000	—	
33	<u>Spool</u>	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	July 14, 2012	undisclosed	Avichal Garg, Curtis Spencer, Six employees	

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34	Acrylic Software	 <u>Canada, Vancouver, British Columbia</u>	July 20, 2012	undisclosed	Two employees	
35	Threadsy	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	August 24, 2012	undisclosed	—	
36	<u>Atlas Solutions</u>	 <u>USA, Seattle, Washington</u>	February 28, 2013	<100,000,000	—	
37	osmeta	 <u>USA, Mountain View, CA</u>	March 2013	—	17 engineers	
38	Storylane (Mixtent)	 <u>USA, Palo Alto, CA</u>	March 2013	—	Jonathan Gheller, 5 engineers	
39	Hot Studio	 <u>USA, New York, New York, San Francisco, California</u>	March 14, 2013	—	—	
40	Spaceport	 <u>USA, Burlingame, California</u>	April 23, 2013	—	—	
41	<u>Parse</u>	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	April 25, 2013	85,000,000	—	
42	Monoidics	 <u>UK, London, England</u>	July 18, 2013	—	—	









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43	<u>Jibbigo</u>	 <u>USA, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania</u>	August 12, 2013	—	—	
44	<u>Onavo</u>	 <u>Israel, Tel Aviv</u>	October 13, 2013	—	Guy Rosen, CEO	
45	SportStream	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	December 17, 2013	—	—	
46	Little Eye Labs	 <u>India, Bengaluru, Karnataka</u>	January 8, 2014	15,000,000	—	
47	Branch	 <u>USA, New York, New York</u>	January 13, 2014	15,000,000	—	
48	<u>WhatsApp</u>	 <u>USA, Mountain View, California</u>	February 19, 2014	19,000,000,000	Co-founder and CEO <u>Jan Koum</u>	
49	<u>Oculus VR</u>	 <u>USA, Irvine, California</u>	March 25, 2014	2,000,000,000	Co-founders <u>Palmer Luckey</u> and <u>Brendan Iribe</u> , Engineer Chris Dycus, and CTO <u>John D. Carmack</u>	
50	Ascenta	 <u>UK, Somerset, England</u>	March 27, 2014	20,000,000	—	
51	Salorix	 <u>USA, Palo Alto, CA</u>	April 14, 2014	—	<u>Santanu Bhattacharya</u>	

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52	ProtoGeo Oy	 <u>Finland, Helsinki</u>	April 24, 2014	undisclosed	—	
53	<u>PrivateCore</u>	 <u>USA, Palo Alto, California</u>	August 7, 2014	undisclosed	—	
54	LiveRail	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	August 14, 2014	400,000,000 - 500,000,000	—	
55	<u>WaveGroup Sound</u>	 <u>USA, Burlingame, California</u>	August 26, 2014	undisclosed	—	
56	Wit.ai	 <u>USA, Palo Alto, California</u>	January 6, 2015	undisclosed	—	
57	Quickfire Networks	 <u>USA, San Diego, California</u>	January 8, 2015	undisclosed	—	
58	<u>TheFind, Inc.</u>	 <u>USA, Mountain View, California</u>	March 14, 2015	undisclosed	—	
59	Surreal Vision	 <u>UK, London, England</u>	May 26, 2015	undisclosed	—	
60	Endaga	 <u>US, Oakland, California</u>	October 3, 2015	undisclosed	Kurtis Heimerl, Shaddi Hasan, Kashif Ali	
61	Pebbles	 <u>Israel, Kfar Saba</u>	July 16, 2015	60,000,000	—	

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62	MSQRD (Masquerade)	 <u>Belarus</u> , <u>Minsk</u>	March 9, 2016	undisclosed	CEO, Eugene Nevgen, Sergey Gonchar, Eugene Zatepyakin (co-founders)	
63	Two Big Ears	 <u>UK</u> , <u>Scotland</u>	May 23, 2016	undisclosed	—	
64	Nascent Objects	 <u>US</u> , <u>California</u>	Sep 19, 2016	undisclosed	—	
65	Infiniled	 <u>Ireland</u> , <u>Cork</u>	October 10, 2016	undisclosed	—	
66	CrowdTangle	 <u>USA</u>	November 11, 2016	undisclosed	Brandon Silverman	
67	Faciometrics	 <u>USA</u> , <u>Pittsburgh</u> , <u>Pennsylvania</u>	November 16, 2016	undisclosed	Fernando De la Torre	<u>Carnegie Mellon University</u>
68	Zurich Eye	 <u>Switzerland</u>	November 2016	undisclosed	—	
69	Ozlo	 <u>USA</u> , Palo Alto, California	July 31, 2017	undisclosed	—	
70	Fayteq AG	 <u>Germany</u>	August 2017	undisclosed	—	
71	<u>tbh</u>	 <u>USA</u> , Oakland, California	October 16, 2017	undisclosed	CEO Nikita Bier, CTO Erik Hazzard, Kyle Zaragoza, Nicolas Ducdodon	

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72	Confirm	 <u>USA</u> , Boston, Massachusetts	January 23, 2018	undisclosed	Bob Geiman, Ralph Rodriguez, Walt Doyle	
73	Bloomsbury AI	 <u>UK</u> , London	July 2018	30,000,000	—	
74	Redkix	 <u>Israel</u> , <u>Tel Aviv</u>	July 26, 2018	100,000,000	Oudi Antebi, Roy Antebi	
75	Vidpresso	 <u>USA</u> , Ogden, Utah	August 13, 2018	undisclosed	Randall Bennett, Justin Carter, Pauli Ojala, Hassan Salahuddin	<u>Y Combinator</u>
76	Dreambit	 <u>USA</u> , Seattle, Washington	Sep 2016	undisclosed	Ira Kemelmacher- Shlizerman, Eli Shlizerman	University of Washington
77	Chainspace	 <u>UK</u> , London	February 2019	—	George Danezis, Shehar Bano, Alberto Sonnino	<u>University College London</u>
78	GrokStyle	 <u>USA</u> , <u>San Francisco</u> , <u>California</u>	February 8, 2019	undisclosed	Kavita Bala, Sean Bell	
79	Servicefriend	 <u>Israel</u> , <u>Tel Aviv</u>	September 2019	undisclosed	Ido Arad, Shahar Ben Ami	
80	CTRL-labs	 <u>USA</u> , <u>New York City</u> , <u>New York</u>	September 2019	undisclosed, but reportedly	<u>Thomas Reardon</u> ,	

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		<u>York</u>		between \$500 million and \$1 billion	Patrick Kaifosh	
81	Packagd	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	September 2019	undisclosed	—	
82	<u>Beat Games</u>	 <u>Czech Republic, Prague</u>	November 2019	undisclosed	—	
83	PlayGiga	 <u>Spain, Madrid</u>	December 2019	70,000,000	—	
84	<u>Sanzaru Games</u>	 <u>USA, Foster City, California</u>	February 2020	undisclosed	—	
85	<u>Scape Technologies</u> (https://scape.io)	 <u>UK, London</u>	February 2020	~40,000,000	—	
86	<u>Giphy</u>	 <u>USA, San Francisco, New York</u>	May 15, 2020	400,000,000	—	
87	<u>Mapillary</u>	 <u>Sweden, Malmö</u>	June 18, 2020	undisclosed	—	
88	<u>Ready at Dawn</u>	 <u>USA, Irvine, California</u>	June 22, 2020	undisclosed	—	
89	Lemnis Technologies	 <u>Singapore, Singapore</u>	September 18, 2020	undisclosed	Pierre-Yves Laffont	
90	Kustomer	 <u>USA, New York, New York</u>	November 30, 2020	1,000,000,000	—	

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91	Downpour Interactive	 <u>USA, San Francisco, California</u>	April 30, 2021	undisclosed	—	
92	Unit 2 Games	 <u>UK, Leamington Spa</u>	June 04, 2021	undisclosed	—	
93	BigBox VR	 <u>USA, Seattle, Washington</u>	June 11, 2021	undisclosed	—	
94	AI.Reverie	 <u>USA, New York, NY, New York</u>	Oct 11, 2021	undisclosed	—	
95	<u>Within</u>	 <u>USA, Los Angeles, California</u>	Oct 29, 2021	undisclosed	—	
96	<u>Twisted Pixel Games</u>	 <u>USA</u>	Nov 1, 2021	undisclosed	—	
97	<u>Armature Studio</u>	 <u>USA</u>	Oct 11, 2022	undisclosed	—	
98	Camouflaj	 <u>USA</u>	Oct 11, 2022	undisclosed	—	

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